

chemically embossing at least a portion of a first layer, and
mechanically embossing at least a portion of a second layer, wherein the first
layer is disposed below the second layer and a chemically embossed portion of the first
layer has a depth greater than any embossed portion of the second layer.

Sub F2 ⁴ 34. The method of claim ~~33~~, wherein said first layer is a foam layer and said
second layer is a wear layer.

⁵ 35. The method of claim ~~33~~, wherein the mechanical embossing achieves an
emboss depth of about 1 to about 12 mils.

⁶ 36. The method of claim ~~34~~, wherein the total embossing depth of the wear
layer and foam layer combined is about 3 to about 8 mils.

⁷ 37. The method of claim ~~34~~, wherein the foam layer comprises foam cells
beneath the mechanically embossed portion of the wear layer which are not crushed or
collapsed.

⁸ 38. The method of claim ~~34~~, wherein at least a portion of the foam layer that
is chemically embossed is not mechanically embossed.--

REMARKS

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 23-26 and 33-38 are pending. Claims 9-10, 21-22, and 27-32 have been
canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein. New claims